State of Montana Governor's Climate Solutions Council

Meeting Agenda
December 9th and 10th, 2019

Montana State Capitol Room 317 (tent.) Helena, MT

Meeting Objectives:

- Build shared understanding about the purpose, objectives, and structure of the Council and enhance working relationships
- Clarify the roles and responsibilities of Council members, support staff, technical and subject matter experts, and the public
- Build foundational knowledge of the work in each of the Council's committees learning from existing research and analysis and panels representing council members and subject matter experts
- Workshop early recommendations/challenges emerging from committee work
- Refine committee workplans, set priorities and review expectations for the next full Council convening ahead of issuing draft recommendations in January

Monday, December 9

1:00 pm Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Co-chairs Patrick Holmes and Kathy Hadley
- Council Facilitation and Strategic Counsel Patrick Cummins, CNEE

1:15 pm Introductions and Overview of the Agenda

- Introduction of Council Members and Staff
- Overview of agenda, meeting objectives
- Preview of the Council Charter and Decision Process

1:45 pm Montana's Changing Climate – An Overview of the Findings and Projections of the 1st Montana Climate Assessment

- Presentation of findings and outreach tied to the MCA Cathy Whitlock, Bruce Maxwell and Kelsey Jensco
- Questions and Discussion with Full Council

- 2:45 pm Break
- 3:15 pm Panel 1: Montana Adaptation Efforts: State, Local and Tribal Experiences
 - Panelists to be selected from Council Members and Outside Experts in Consultation with Committee Co-Chairs
- 4:00 pm Workshop 1: Draft Findings and Recommendations of the Climate Adaptation, Information and Decision Support Committee
 - Brief overview of committee work to date (co-chairs)
 - Small Group Breakouts/Whiteboards
 - Report Out and Council Discussion
- 5:30 pm Day 1 Meeting Adjourn
- 6:00 pm Optional Evening Social at Ten Mile Creek Brewery

48 N Last Chance Gulch, Helena, MT 59601

We plan to reserve space at this Helena brewery for Council members to get to know one another. This a no-host event.

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

- 8:00 am Welcome and Overview of the Day
 - Recap of Day 1
 - Overview of Agenda for Day 2
- 8:15 am Decarbonization Pathways for the Northwest and Montana: Findings and Discussion of the Clean Energy Technology Institute Study of Deep Decarbonization

Presentation and Discussion Eileen Quigley, Executive Director, CETI and Evolved Energy Research Team TBD

- 10:00 am Break
- 10:30 am Workshop 2: Draft Findings and Recommendations of the Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Strategies Committee
 - Brief overview of committee work to date (co-chairs)
 - Small Group Breakouts/Whiteboards
 - Report Out and Council Discussion
- 12:00 pm Lunch (Provided)

12:30 pm Council Charter

- Council members will discuss the draft charter
- DECISION ITEM: Amend and/or Approve the Draft Charter

1:15 pm Panel 2: Technology and Climate Solutions – What's Happening in Montana and Across the West?

 Panelists to be selected from Council Members and Outside Experts in Consultation with Committee Co-Chairs

2:00 pm Break

2:30 am Workshop 3: Draft Findings and Recommendations of the Climate Innovation and Transitions Committee

- Brief overview of committee work to date (co-chairs)
- Small Group Breakouts/Whiteboards
- Report Out and Council Discussion

3:45 pm Updating the Council's Work Plan, Timeline, and Approach

Discuss timeline, milestones, and meeting schedule

4:00 pm Public Comment

4:15 pm Council Member Reflections and Guidance

 Capture key take-aways, insights, and guidance for future meetings

4:30 pm Meeting Adjourns